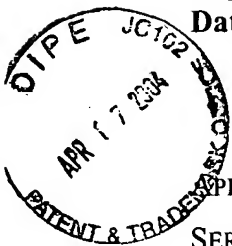


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APPLICANTS: Caduff, et al.
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the December 12, 2003, Notice to File Missing Parts in the above-identified application. With the extension, the Response is due on or before April 12, 2004. A check in the amount of \$210.00 (#18423) in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1), is enclosed herewith.

No additional fees are believed to be due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 24334-003 UTIL).

Respectfully submitted,

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